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## 300 families seek EQ compensation

Molly Tippen Staff Writer

More than 300 families have filed for conjunctive relief under the terms of a \$3.75 million class action lawsuit against EQ Resource Recovery, whose Van Born Road facility exploded in August 2005.

Steven Liddle of the law firm Macuga & Liddle is representing the occupants of about 7,000 homes in Wayne and Romulus. He said people affected by the blast will share in that settlement if they file for damages with his firm by Oct. 1.

"If people don't file, they may be precluded from collecting damages," he said. "We

sent out about 6,800 notices and published notices in two newspapers. We had only four objections to those terms."

Liddle said he expects that number to dramatically increase over time.

"Three hundred was the number we had two weeks ago, and there's still time," he said. "We're being contacted regularly (by residents)."

The amount of damages will be determined by several factors, including how close a home was to the fire, how much damage to personal property was sustained, and other factors, Liddle said.

"There are several provisions," he said. "For instance, if you're a landlord with a

vacant building, or a renter, that would be a factor."

The 11-acre EQ facility – which is home to the largest chemical remediation plant in the United States – burst into flames in the late evening hours of Aug. 9, 2005, and burned for about three days. Firefighters from agencies all over the state were called in to try to quell the fire.

At the plant, chemicals like motor oil, cleaning fluids and airplane de-ice fluids were stored and cleaned, then re-sold to area companies.

The plume of fire that resulted from the

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#### Hot wheels

Crowds flocked to the Western Wayne County Skill Center on Ann Arbor Trail in Westland Monday night for the annual charity car show organized by Don Nicholson. The event featured a variety of vintage muscle cars and customized classics. The car show was an annual fundraiser to provide money for the center, which serves special needs children from across the county.

## Firm can move ahead with plant

Molly Tippen Staff Writer

With lingering concerns about the size of the small parcel of land where a biodiesel refinery could be built, city officials approved the request from an energy firm to build such a facility, providing they can get backing from the state for the project.

The five members of the Romulus City Council present at the regular meeting Monday approved a request from Alternegy for the project, which would be constructed on land owned by RKA, a petroleum facility located at Middlebelt and Wick roads.

Council members also approved a 10-year tax abatement

for the project. Alternegy had requested a 12-year tax abatement, and a three-year phase after that, in which taxes would have been paid in 25 percent increments until the full amount is assessed.

Councilman LeRoy Burcroff said the firm can re-apply at the end of the present abatement, if they so choose.

Margaret O'Reilly, a consultant for Alternegy, said the council approval was a first – but major – step in making the facility a reali-

"It's a first step, but now we're able to go to the county to apply for Renaissance Zone status," she said. "The county will file those applications on our behalf, and the approval of the local governing unit is required."

Though all of the council members present at the meeting Monday were supportive of the concept of alternative fuel – particularly cleaner fuel – some expressed concern about the parcel

"I drove past the site the other day, and I still can't help but think that it's so small," said Councilwoman Ellen Craig-Bragg. "But I think alternative fuel is a good thing, and I support this project."

O'Reilly said that about 24 percent of the 4-acre firm will be covered with storage tanks and buildings, and that a large parcel is not required to run such a facility.

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# Hearing to determine tax break

Molly Tippen Staff Writer

Romulus City Council members voted last week to schedule a public hearing on granting a tax abatement to the Detroit Newspapers Partnership.

The hearing will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 2, at city hall.

The partnership was deemed ineligible for an abatement within the current city guidelines, which are based on the amount of tax paid, the number of jobs provided or saved as a result of the tax break, and the number of years the company has been in Romulus.

However, the guidelines may not prohibit the partnership from procuring a tax abatement if they can make a compelling case to the city, said Tim Keyes, the economic development director for the city.

"The guidelines used by the city are just that – guidelines," he said. "The public hearing will be conducted, and the council will have the opportunity to learn about (the partnership's) plans. Then once they have more information, they can grant the request."

According to city documents, the partnership is asking for a 12-year abatement on improvements at the distribution location at 6911 Metroplex St.

The total investment would equal slightly more than \$1.2 million, and the measure would

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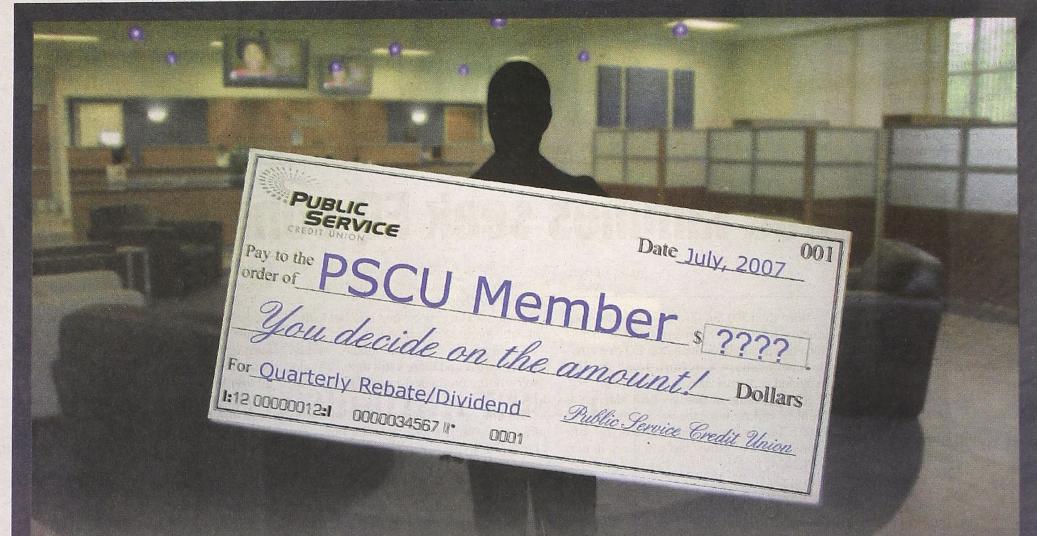
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# Administrator will serve as court magistrate

Molly Tippen Staff Writer

The 34th District Court is in need of a magistrate that can help lighten the caseload of the three current judges, and keep the docket moving, according to Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green.

Brooks Green suggested to members of the Romulus City Council during the regular meeting Monday night that court administrator Al Hindman be trained to serve as a magistrate during times that judges are absent or unable to take the bench.

"There have been only a few times when this has happened, but we have to hire a visiting judge (to handle the caseload)," said Brooks Green. "We have to pay for the whole day, even if there is only half an hour of work."

The 34th District Court is one of the few courts that doesn't have a magistrate on staff. The role of magistrate is similar to a judge — they arraign people who go before the court, under specific circumstances, and their role is more limited than that of a judge.

Brooks Green said that the court is not in need of a full-time magistrate at this time.

"Even if we needed a full time magistrate, I wouldn't have room for one (in the courthouse)," she said. "There are times when we just need to have someone that can arraign and assign bond, so that people aren't needlessly sitting in the Romulus jail — or any other jail — for an

extra day. (Defendants) will then have the opportunity to make bond and move forward with their case."

Hindman has worked at the court for many years, but is not an attorney. A magistrate is typically an attorney, but there are legal provisions in place for those without a law degree, Brooks Green said.

"Al is not an attorney, but he can take classes offered by the state court administrator's office that will train him, and his role will be further limited from that of an attorney," she said. Brooks Green added that Hindman has absorbed knowledge as the court administrator, and that she has confidence he can fill the role.

City Councilman John Barden inquired about the training. He also said he believes the court was moving in the

right direction by considering a magistrate.

"The fact that Al can be trained for this, and that we won't have to pay more for (visiting judges) is a good thing," he said.

Hindman, as court administrator, serves as a general manager for the court. Brooks Green said the magistrate duties would not constitute a change in his salary, but that his job will be expanded.

Visiting judges are paid a flat rate for their services, and Brooks Green said having Hindman fill in would ultimately save the court time and money.

The 34th District Court serves Romulus, Belleville, Sumpter Township, Van Buren Township and Huron Township.

### **News in brief**

#### Flea market scheduled

The Romulus Historical Society will once again sponsor the annual flea market on Saturday to help fund year-round society activities.

The flea market will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Romulus Historical Park, which is located at Hunt Street and Goddard Road, near the Romulus Post Office.

Vendor spaces are still available, and cost \$15 per vendor. All vendors must be able to provide their own tables.

Light refreshments will be available on-site. For more information, contact Gloria Chandler at (734) 941-2678.

#### Summer reading program announced

The Romulus Public Library's summer reading program is currently under way. Activities are designed to appeal to students off all ages, according to a spokesman and will continue until July 31.

All activities will take place at 1 p.m. on the following dates:

July 3 - Basic Yoga Postures with Erica;

July 11 – Storyteller Tonya Dallas will spin tales about Anansi the spider;

July 17 – Chris Measzros, the man of 1,000 voices, presents, "It's a Mystery";

July 25 – The Super Science Program will provide experiments for students; and

July 31 – Awards presentation for students who read the

For more information about the summer reading program, call the Romulus Public Library at (734) 942-7589.

Send event notices, announcement and news briefs to Staff Writer Molly Tippen at mtippen@journalgroup.com. Fax notices to (734) 729-1840.

### **Families**

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blast left ash on hundreds of homes in the Wayne-Romulus area, and resulted in the evacuation of about 1,000 families living near the facility.

Several other residents reported a light dusting of black ash on their homes and vehicles after the blast.

That ash contained trace levels of chemicals later deemed to be below toxic levels by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

Of the nine workers on the site when it exploded, none were seriously hurt. There were no reports of residents being injured as a direct result of the explosion.

Liddle said residents incurred more than just the cost and inconvenience of cleaning up their property after the fire.

"I think there's also a fear," he said. "The people that live in the area are concerned about another fire.

Most of the plant was destroyed in the blast, but EQ officials rebuilt the facility, and it has been operating without incident for more than a year.

Tom Schuck, the executive vice president of EQ, did not return calls seeking comment for this story.

Liddle and his associates filed a lawsuit in Wayne County Circuit Court several weeks after the fire on behalf of a handful of plaintiffs.

The firm asked for, and received, class action status. Wayne County Circuit Court Judge John Murphy is adjudicating the case.

## Inkster introduces ALS services

Molly Tippen Staff Writer

Advanced Life Support (ALS) services will be officially implemented at the Inkster Fire Department on July 2, after about two years of planning.

Chief Mark Hubanks said that the services provided by firefighters to residents experiencing medical trouble will be like "night and day" from the current basic services configuration.

"It's like comparing a pick up truck to a Cadillac," he said. "We will be able to do more to help the patient immediately, which increases the likelihood of a positive outlook for them."

Inkster is one of a handful of departments that had not transitioned to paramedic service, and doing so bring the department in step with neighboring communities, said Hubanks.

"Inkster residents will receive the same care as residents of Westland and other communities," he said. "This will put us on par with our neighbors."

Some of the differences between basic and ALS is that paramedics will now be able to monitor heart functions and hook patients up to equipment that will be able to provide more information about their health status, said Hubanks.

Fire departments started implementing paramedic services in 1973, when Southfield introduced the service, Hubanks said. The city Hubanks came from, Ferndale, implemented the program about 10 years ago, he said.

"There are still some departments that have basic service, but I would say at this point that they're few and far between," Hubanks said.

Introducing paramedic service to the city does carry a cost. The city paid for schooling for some EMTs to acquire the prop-

er training and certification, and a \$25,000 monitor, before the program could be implemented.

Currently, nine firemen have been certified as paramedics, three have been certified as specialists, and three are awaiting certification. Some higher-level firefighters did not participate in the training because their responsibilities are managerial in nature, said Hubanks.

He said training costs should be minimal from here on out.

"We've changed the hiring standards to include (ALS) certification," Hubanks said. Some of the last people who were hired already have their certification. That will go a long way in terms of saving money."

Services will be more beneficial to residents, but will also cost more. A resident's bill for service will be based on the number of services provided by paramedics before they reach the hospital, officials said.

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bring about 60 jobs to Romulus, according to the proposal. It's unclear whether these would be new jobs, or transfers from other facilities.

The Detroit Newspapers request for a tax break comes at a time when the city council is reconsidering the abatement policies. Keyes asked the council to look at the policies to determine whether the parameters are in the city's best interest.

Chief among those concerns are the weight given to the length of a company's tenure versus the city's ability to attract new industrial companies – and the jobs that come with them.

A recent example would be a 12-year, multi-million abatement given to the General Motors Engine plant, which was not planning on hiring, and a small company called Aztec Manufacturing, which created nine jobs, but only received a six-year break, largely based on the fact the company had not been in Romulus for as long as the

automaker.

Tax abatements are tool put into place by the Sate of Michigan to assist struggling manufacturing companies. They can be granted for up to 12 years by a local municipality, and at the end of that period, they can reapply for the abatement.

The application states that the partnership would lease the facility for 15 years.

John Morey, of the Newspaper Partnership, did not immediately return calls seeking comment about the tax break or the impending hearing.

### **Biodiesel**

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Biodiesel is a clean burning alternative fuel, produced from a variety of fats and oil. It is a renewable fuel that is often touted as one of the solutions to weaning U.S. consumers from foreign oil dependence. The goal of biodiesel producers is to replace conventional diesel fuel and home heating fuel.

Though biodiesel contains no petroleum, it can be blended at any level with petroleum to create a "blend" that can be used in typical compression-ignition diesel without any engine modification.

Alternegy, which has partnered with longtime Romulus business RKA Petroleum, first approached the city in April. According to estimates, the facility will cost about \$14 million to construct.

If it comes to fruition, the biodiesel facility proposed in Romulus would refine 10-11 million gallons of biodiesel per year, according to sources familiar with the project.

Councilman John Barden said approving the project was the right thing to do for the city.

"We have one company that wants to come here and another that wants to stay here," he said. "By doing this we get a new company and we keep one. It's a winwin for everyone."

Nothing can be constructed until the state weighs the Alternegy applications for Renaissance Zone status, O'Reilly said.

If approved, the firm will come back to the city planning commission to make sure the facility meets all guidelines and zoning provisions.

The company will not be required to seek further approval from the city council.

# PINION

## **Smoke and Mears?**

There has been a lot of discussion lately about the qualifications of Walter Mears, the recently hired city manager in Belleville.

Allegations have come up that he lied on his resume when he applied for the job, exaggerating his educational and professional background-not to mention his former salary at the University of Michigan.

Welcome to the public eye, Mr. Mears.

A few residents openly questioned his qualifications at the Belleville City Council meeting last Monday, and Councilman George Chedraue put forth a motion to look into the allegations, which failed for a lack of support.

Mears, understandably, has been mute on the subject. The council, through Mayor Tom Fielder, has held the same stance: there's no issue here. It's not true.

In this, he's both right and wrong.

Here's the issue: when Mears applied for to fill a vacant seat on the Belleville City Council, he included in his resume the fact that he held a Ph.D. in theology. When he applied for the city manager post—after an unsuccessful round of initial interviews and at the suggestion of Chedraue—he didn't list it. The thought behind that decision, apparently, was that it wasn't applicable.

He also included in his application packet five references that attested to his work experience—references that were checked out by members of the council as well as the police chief-that backed up his ability to do the job.

"He's doing the job we've hired him to do," Fielder said.

What he earned in his last position isn't much of an issue, in our opinion; who goes looking for a new job that doesn't pay any better than the one they have?

There's still a problem here that needs to be addressed, and that's the discrepancy between the two resumes Mears submitted to the city. It speaks to a credibility issue with city government. Until it's answered or explained, there will be those who question his decisions, his directions, who may even resent him taking the office in the first place. This is something, though, that the council cannot force him to do; it has to be his decision.

Given the prevalence of conspiracy theories surrounding any government lately, and given the way Mears was appointed to the position—he was interviewed separately, when some in the city thought the council should re-advertise for the post—we think it's a decision he should make.

It's a matter of trust. People need to have confidence in their government and this will only help Mears-and the city-move forward.

## A strange matter of timing

Yesterday, the Westland Historical Commission and the Friends of the Historic Museum were supposed to meet to air some grievances and get on the same page

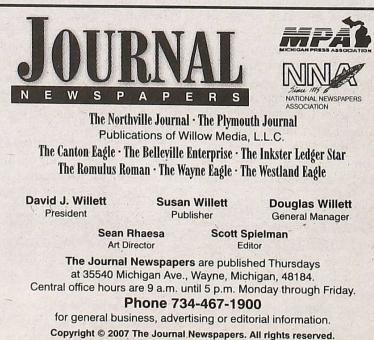
Apparently, that won't happen. The Friends group voted last week to

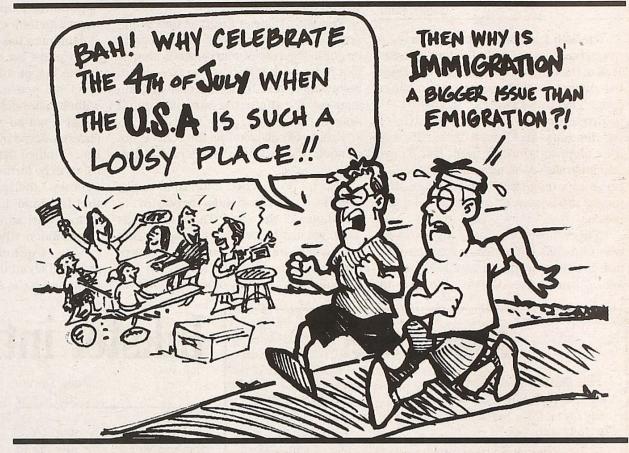
They cited a long frustration with decisions about the Westland Historic Village Park and friction between the two groups during the 7-2 vote that saw three members abstain.

It's a little sad, really, because these two groups ostensibly want the same thing: to highlight and preserve the cultural history of the community. They just disagree as to the priorities, how the work should be accomplished, and who should look after what.

Perhaps the meeting was just set too late to do any good. Or maybe members of the Friends didn't think that any good would come of it.

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## Don't let the mob win

By all accounts, it was a pretty ugly scene at the Belleville Strawberry Festival on June 16.

Belleville Police Chief Gene Taylor called it the worst crowd he'd ever seen as he reported to the city council about the violence that erupted at about 10 that night.

The officer in charge that night was also there to back up the chief's claims, and several residents were on hand to voice their concerns and talk about what they had suffered when several dozen unruly youths picked fights with each other and caused a general ruckus.

It sounds like an alarming situation, but so was the response from police officials and those impacted residents: Shut down the festival?

Shut down this annual celebration of the community because of a relative few bad apples? In essence, to let the mob mentality rob residents of a chance to show their community spirit?

It seems like a bit of a knee-jerk reaction to me and a part of an alarming trend I've seen where people are more likely to throw in the towel and let the sporadic forces of darkness overcome those of goodness and light.

Shut down the festival because of the unwanted element it attracts? It'd be far better to work to reduce that negative element and proactively change things for the better. I don't want to be a part of a society that is afraid to celebrate its heritage and sense of community because of public safety

If we are coming to a place where we are afraid to show off

our community, there is something seriously wrong with the world.

Close

to the

It's not just this incident in Belleville, either. I've heard comments like this in my hometown of Wayne, too—whether it's a reluctance to identify trees that have made a state-wide registry because of their size and beauty for fear that they'd be vandalized or concerns that the mural on the State Wayne Theater would be marred by graffiti. When the Wayne City Council decided not put on their annual fireworks celebration this year, it was in part due to budget concerns and in part because of the fights that broke out during the event last year.

To allow this bad element to spoil things for the rest of us, to me, is un-American. It chips away at the very freedoms we claim to enjoy, the way of life we

Obviously, city officials should be as concerned about the safety of residents as the police department. There is a year now, to come up with a plan for improved safety. There is a year, now, to come up with a plan to get youth more involved with the festival, instead of fighting against it—and each other.

There's a year, now, to take stock of our own values and determine if we want to showcase them or let a few bullies send us into hiding. Don't let 'the mob' take these things from us.

## One man's trash is another's torture

I stopped by Jungle Java Express in the Canton Library recently to do some work.

I happened to be in the middle of an article about the future recreational trail planned near the Lower Rouge River. The story begins with Bob Belair, the environmental engineer for Canton, finding some trash dumped near where the proposed trailhead will be. Belair was disappointed, and maybe a little embarrassed at the sight.

As I typed the story, a small child outside, left temporarily unsupervised as his father attended to other matters, ran up to the window and banged his hand to get the attention of two teenagers inside the café. They looked over and without hesitation the wideeyed kid, who was maybe 7 years old, spat right at them, and watched in glee as his handiwork dripped down the glass.

The teens thought it was pretty funny, but I wondered if the moron who tossed his old carpet, wood cabinet, empty cement bag and other miscellany into the woods had the same childish satisfaction that he'd never be admonished for it.

What's really impressed me about Canton is its

growing commitment to the environment and how easily all that can be undermined with a thoughtless display of illegal dumping.

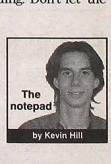
Farmers once cleared this land of so many trees, and then developers came in and planted row after row of houses. That is, until the 1990s came, tastes changed and developers paved curvy street after curvy street of houses.

This set up Canton to be, like many of Detroit's outer ring suburbs, another sprawl-town. Leaders here seem to recognize that sprawl is not so good for the environment. But it's unlikely they will recommend razing all the houses, planting trees and moving en masse back to Detroit.

What they've done instead is a pretty good Plan B. They have one of the toughest tree ordinances around, forcing developers to plant two trees for every one they uproot.

Planners are stressing emphasis on 'green' devel-

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#### **LETTERS**

#### **Author's method clarified**

To the editor:

I am writing in regard to the June 21 article on Robert Florence, student at Gallimore who won the Reading Rainbow Award.

In it, he is quoted at saying that he and I (his mother) each write a sentence when working together. While that is true that we will alternate sentences when making up stories in the car, doctor's office, etc., and then he illustrates them, it is important to note that Robert is the sole writer of each of his entries for the contest.

He writes and illustrates it in its entirety. Thank you for your

> Emily Florence, Canton

#### Senator defends bill

To the editor:

I am writing in response to your editorial 'Shedding Light...' published June 14, 2007 regarding legislation I recently introduced.

Senate Bill 569 is in direct response and opposition to HB 4796 that would allow Lansing to dictate the salaries of school superintendents. The House bill would mandate that the compensation received by the governor, currently \$177,000 per year, would set the limit for superintendent's pay.

I firmly believe that the taxpayers through their elected board members should determine salaries based on competency, experience, background and accomplishment of the candidate-not abrogate local control to Lansing legislators.

To be a knowledgeable voice and to participate in the decision making process, our citizens need both easy disclosure of and access to information. My legislation does exactly that by requiring a school district to post the top 3 percent of salaries or the top 10 salaries, whichever is greater, on their websites and, if available, in their annual newsletter. This is similar to what intermediate school districts do now and involves no new costs.

It was also suggested in your editorial that similar disclosure be extended to all sectors of government. I agree. Senate Bill 569 takes an important first step in that regard.

> Thank you. Nancy Cassis, State Senator, 15th District.

#### Retiring teacher has request

To the editor;

I came to Belleville in 1968 fresh out of college and of course, I thought I knew everything. Your Edgemont community welcomed me and I stayed there for 23 years teaching first grade. I have many fond memories of the teachers, students and parents there.

I moved to Tyler and have taught general education second grade, first and second G&T and am presently teaching a straight second grade G&T class. The parents, students, staff and especially the principals and Mrs. Winters, retired G&T coordinator, have been the very best and you should all be proud of your hard working teaching communi-

Now I am ready to retire but I wanted to thank all of you for allowing me to serve your community and affording me a good life for my family.

I would only ask one last favor before I leave. Please consider the benefits of a new high school and elementary upgrades. Today's consumers are looking for new and updated schools but sadly, they cannot find them here.

Just a thought. Margaret (Megs) Beller Tyler Elementary School, Belleville

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### **Friends**

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Regardless, there's no choice now but to move ahead—and not forget

The Historic Village Park concept is a good one; there are many things unique to Westland that the average resident doesn't know about. They've got the land, there are buildings on site, it's the perfect foundation for their goals.

The problem with this kind of thing-and you see it everywhere, not just in Westland-is that funding sources are drying up.

Municipalities are having more and more difficulty just keeping their basic services intact, let alone paying for the many 'feel good' projects that most residents would rally behind.

That's why we hope this rift and whatever the instances that led to it—does not remain a permanent one. This is something that needs the cooperation of the whole community. Hopefully, those members of the Friends group that were disenfranchised with their efforts will find other ways to get involved and push their goals forward.

The preservation of history is too important to be derailed by these kinds of obstacles.

### Torture

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opments that have less manicured landscaping and more natural growth. Canton educates citizens about how to care for the environment. Canton has rehabbed several detention ponds. The Rouge is as healthy here as anywhere. Residential building has slowed, but when projects do pop up, the township often encourages clustered subdivisions that leave more land untouched. (The township has also started an Environmental Stewardship Committee, and you can learn more about what they're doing at http://www.canton-mi.org/environment.asp.)

Other nearby communities are following suit and realizing the environment really does matter.

For all their work though, there

are those who just don't care. I was at Best Buy in Westland a couple weeks ago, where I saw two teenagers peel away the wrapper from a CD they just purchased and toss it into the parking lot, along with their receipt. A few days later I saw the same act repeated at a McDonald's.

And dumping still continues along those hidden and not so hidden areas in the region, spitting in the face of people trying to make a difference. The trash we saw near the trail appeared just two weeks after hundreds cleaned up the area for River Day.

Of course, we could all do more to protect and improve the environment. It's upsetting to see that some of us haven't made the rudimentary step of realizing it's not our personal garbage bin.

This region already has enough landfills. Let's not make the whole township into one as well.

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## **Local woman sues hip hop stai**

Renee White Staff Writer

A Northwest Airlines ticketing agent from Westland is suing rapper Doug E. Fresh, in a federal lawsuit, after an altercation at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in April.

According to attorney Christopher Kuebler of Birmingham, Fresh pushed his client, Karen McGill, to the floor after being told he could not board a flight because he was late.

"You have to get in the gate on time, and if you're late, you're not permitted to board," Kuebler said. "My client said he couldn't board and he got belligerent and physically shoved her down to the ground. Witnesses confirmed it."

The case was taken to the 34th District Court in Romulus on May 24.

Fresh was charged with misdemeanor assault and battery and pleaded no contest. The self-proclaimed "world's greatest entertainer" was ordered to pay \$495 in fines and fees, received a year of probation and will perform 32 hours of community service

Instead of performing the community service in Romulus, where the assault took place, he will be doing it in his home state of New York.

"I'd say he got off pretty easy," Kuebler said. "I can only imagine if I would've done something like that. I'd be in a penitentiary right now."

A federal prosecutor will soon look at the case and determine if any federal laws were violated. If so, the case will be taken to federal

McGill is asking for more than \$75,000 for the altercation.

Kuebler also said that the act may have been a hate crime based on McGill's gender, something that will be determined by the investigation.

"[Fresh] saw someone weaker than him and he took advantage of her." he said.

Ironically, the biography on Fresh's official website describes him as a "tireless hip-hop activist" who has "fought against racism, drugs, illiteracy, police brutality and homelessness in communities around the world." Fresh's career has spanned 20 years, with his popularity peaking in the mid-'90s.

If the lawsuit does become a federal court case, Kuebler said he does not know when it will be taken

## **Student** is honored for volunteer work

Kohl's department stores honored more than 1.400 children nationwide for helping transform their communities through volunteerism.

Through the seventh annual Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program, about 80 children from Michigan will receive \$50 gift cards and certificates of recognition from Kohl's. Winners also qualify to receive a portion of more than \$200,000 in scholarships that Kohl's will award this summer.

Destiny Eadie, 11, of Belleville was selected for the honor based on the greeting cards she sent to U.S. troops serving in Iraq.

There are so many compassionate kids in our communities," said Julie Gardner, executive vice president and chief marketing officer at Kohl's. "Kohl's Kids Who Care was created to reward youth and teens for their selflessness and encourage them to volunteer to help transform their com-

Store-level winners will compete for 170 regional scholarships worth \$1,000 each. Regional winners will then compete for 10 national scholarships worth \$5,000 each. In addition, Kohl's will contribute \$1,000 to each national winner's nonprofit organization of choice. Regional and national winners will be announced in July.

For more information about Kohl's Cares for Kids, visit www.kohlscorporation.com.

## Insects prove good health of Rouge River

A diverse group of water insects has the Friends of the Rouge encouraged about the health of the Rouge River watershed.

The headwaters of the Fowler Creek, near Cherry Hill and Prospect roads, received a rating of "Excellent" during the 2007 Spring Bug Hunt, the first of two activities this year designed to gauge the health of the lower branch of the river.

Six Canton sites were rated by weighting the type and number of organisms present.

Diversity is important, too. Biologist Bruce McCulloch identified a species of caddisfly the group has never before seen in the Rouge River. That section had 21 different families of organisms, or taxa.

Caddisflies are more sensitive creatures, resulting in a higher quality score for the parts of the river in which the bugs are found. In all, participants at Fowler Creek found stoneflies, mayflies and four different types of caddisflies.

The 2007 Fall Bug Hunt is planned for Oct. 13. To reserve a space, call (313) 792-9621 or e-mail picoordinator@therouge.org.

#### NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR ELECTION - TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2007

To the Oualified Electors of CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN- WAYNE COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that Monday, July 9, 2007 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election.

If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the above stated jurisdiction in which you live, you may do so at the following locations and times listed in this notice.

Qualified electors may also register to vote or change their address in the following manners:

At the township clerk's office or at the office of any county clerk during normal business hours.

At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hours.

At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.

At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline. Mail voter registration applications may be obtained by contacting:

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#### **Qualifications for Registration**

1. Applicant is at least 18 years of age.

2. Resident of Van Buren Township for at least 30 days.

3. Citizen of the United States.

#### Note:

A Person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the city/township where they live or are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.

Applications for Absentee Voter Ballots are available at the Clerk's Office. The deadline for filing an application to receive an Absentee Ballot for the August 7, 2007 Election is Saturday, August 4, 2007, from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Clerk's

Joannie D. Payne, CMC Township Clerk

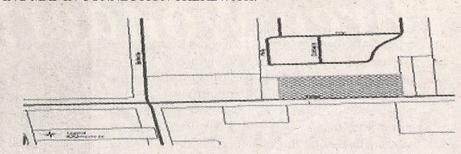
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#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN **ORDINANCE 06-19-07** PROPOSED REZONING MAP

First Reading of Ordinance 06-19-07, Second reading for adoption will be held at the 7:30 p.m. regular meeting of the Board of Trustee on Monday, July 2, 2007 to be held in the Board Room, in the Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan 48111.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ZONING ORDINANCE 6-6-92, AS AMENDED, OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BY AMENDING THE ZON-ING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.



#### THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ORDAINS:

The Zoning Map in connection with the Zoning Ordinance of the Section 1. Charter Township of Van Buren shall be amended so that the zoning of the following described property to wit: Ordinance Number 06-19-07

To rezone parcel: V125-83-039-99-0009-014 from R-1B (Medium density single family residential) to C-1 (General Business).

**Legal Description of Property:** 

Parcel V125-83-039-99-0009-014 is located on the north side of Tyler Road between Belleville and Walden Boulevard.

Section 2. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption and publication.

Yeas: King, Payne, Budd, Clair, Hart, Jahr and Rochowiak.

Nays: None. Absent: None.

This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within ten (10) days after its passage.

I hereby certify that Ordinance 06-19-07 was published in the Belleville Enterprise, a newspaper circulating within the Charter Township of Van Buren.

Joannie D. Payne, CMC Township Clerk

Cindy C. King **Township Supervisor** 

Adopted: Effective:

Publish: June 28, 2007

# THE SCENE

# Fear has checked out of room

There is no denying that Stephen King is the king of modern horror literature, psyching out his readers with masterful and maddening thrillers.

Few writers can delve into the minds of their readers, feed off their fears and scare the living bajeebers out of them. After a few off-the-beaten-path novels and sustaining the *Dark Tower* series, the King returned to what he does best in the short story 1408 released in 2000 as part of the audiobook collection *Blood and Smoke* and published in written form in 2002 as part of the short-story compilation *Everything's Eventual 14 Dark Tales*.

Like most King tales turned movies, last week's theatrical release of the same name, 1408, fell short of what could have been a terrific horrific tale. It wasn't due to the lack of effort on the part of director Mikael Hafstrom, though.

King is just too good at excavating human psychological fears and planting them on the page. He seats readers directly in the front row of a main character's mental meltdown as we watch the horrors revealed one bloody page at a time. Such treatment makes it nearly impossible to translate what is going on in the mind onto the screen.

If King has one weakness that shadows all of his works it's his endings. I have yet to read an ending of his that left me more chilled than disappointed. Unfortunately, that flaw usually translates to the film version, too.

1408 parallels one of King's best full-length features *The Shining*. Both are about writers and spooky hotels.

The Shining is a far superior story and one that the late and great Stanley Kubrick—one of the, if not the, greatest film auteurs of our time—translated into one of the scariest films ever made.

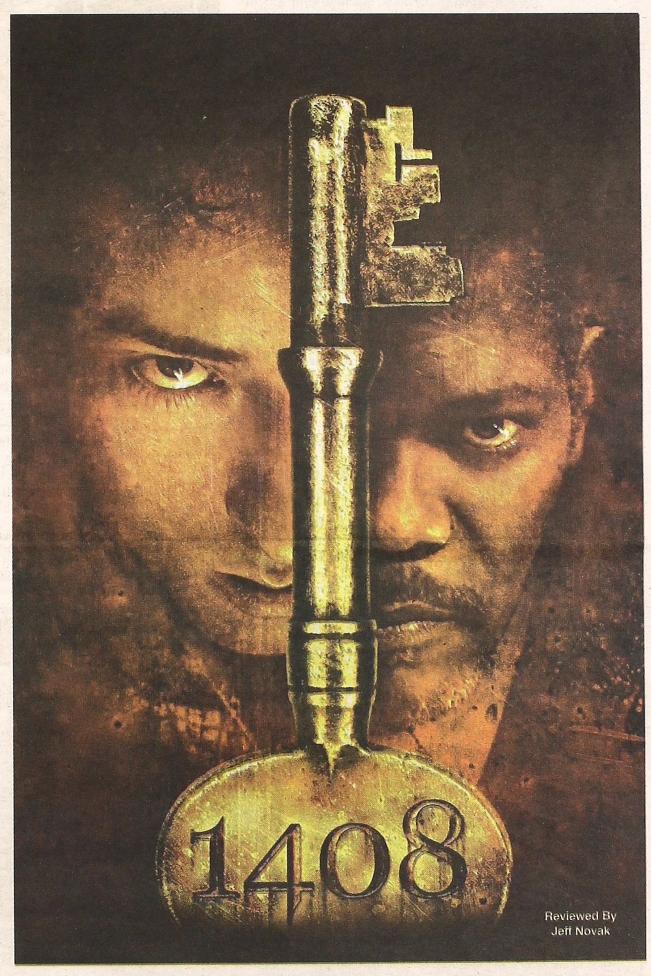
1408 introduces viewers to Mike Enslin (John Cusak), a writer who investigates and debunks some of the most haunted sites in the United States. As research for his latest book, he checks into room 1408 (the numbers cleverly add up to 13) at the Dolphin Hotel in New York City where supposedly, no one ever checks out...alive.

Hotel manager Gerald Olin (Samuel L. Jackson) futilely tries to dissuade—even attempts to bribe—Enslin from staying in the haunted room where, he says, "Nobody lasts an hour." Enslin, a nonbeliever of the supernatural, refuses to acknowledge the possible danger as he shoulders his overnight bag full of ghost-hunting gadgets.

After a loose beginning that tries to tie in Enslin's past to what is about to happen in 1408, the film turns into a mind-bending tour into the bowels of creepiness—for the first half anyway.

Hafstrom uses some pretty cool effects as Enslin investigates the "evil" room with an ultraviolet light. He also conjures up one of the scariest scenes in recent times that will literally have you jumping out of your seat. Beware, though, one good startle doesn't make for a great horror flick. After that, things take a turn for the cheesy once Enslin takes a tour of the air duct system in a futile attempt to escape; the paintings in the room come to life; and he stares down into his own empty grave. The ending also left something to be desired.

1408 is actually better than anticipated. King fans are sure to love it but some might want to check out early or even keep 1408 vacant. In the beginning it will have moviegoers looking under their seats—maybe even hiding under them—but audiences might be disappointed when they only find a few popcorn kernels and a half-chewed Gummy Bear stuck in a pool of spilled fountain drink.



## **Tipping Point Theatre plans inaugural season**

Renee White Staff Writer

The new Tipping Point Theatre in Northville will present four plays and bi-monthly comedy nights during the inaugural season.

The very first presentation of the new theater will be *Don't Dress For Dinner* Aug. 25. *Don't Dress For Dinner* is a comedy about a man who plans a romantic getaway with his mistress, unaware that his wife is having an affair with his best friend. The play stars Loren Bass, Sarab Kamoo, Dave Davies, Michelle Stackpoole, Lauren Hufano and Aaron Moore. It will run through

Sept. 29.

Forever Plaid: Plaid Tidings, a holiday musical, will be on state Nov. 10 through Dec. 22. The comedy follows four teenagers who return from the dead to play a Christmas special.

A romantic play will come to the theater just in time for Valentine's Day. *Almost, Maine* will be performed Feb. 2 through March 1 and tells the tale of a small town in northern Maine and the dramatic love lives of its residents.

Manuscript, a dark comedy, will close out the season, running April 26 through May 24. Manuscript is the story of three college freshmen with a vendetta.

Performances for each play will be at 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays in addition to 2 p.m. on Sundays. Single tickets range in cost between \$18 and \$24.50. Season subscriptions, which include tickets to all four shows, are on sale now for \$75.

Theatergoers will also be able to watch improv comedy twice a month at "Improv at the Point," a sketch comedy in the style of the popular TV show "Whose Line is it Anyway." Performances will begin Sept. 4 and continue each month on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Tickets for "Improv at the Point" are \$8 each.

The theater is still looking for

donors to be part of Founders Club, Executive Director Christina Johnson said.

"The Founders Club is anyone who has given \$1,000 or more to the theater," Johnson said.

Founders Club members will be recognized in the theater lobby, receive a pair of tickets to each of the 2007-2008 season shows, receive an invitation to all afterglows on opening night with cast and crew members and be invited to the member's only open house before the theater officially opens to the public.

In addition, members of the Founders Club are invited to a continental breakfast the morning of the Independence Day Parade in Northville. The theater staff will also be walking in the parade.

"We'll be walking around and handing out flyers," Johnson said.

The Tipping Point Theatre is also looking for other donors, according to Johnson.

"We appreciate any donation," she said.

There are three levels of donors, including Producer, which is a donation of \$500 to \$999, Director, a gift of \$250 to \$499 and Player, a donation of \$25 to \$249. Each level has benefits and will be recognized in season playbills.

For more information, contact Johnson at (734) 446-5843.

## THE SCENE-

## Crime scene

## Local authors investigate St. Valentine's Day massacre

Scott Spielman Editor

For years, Rusty Oswalt of Wayne had heard tales and seen depictions of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre in Chicago.

Oswalt, who said he had relatives in The Purple Gang in prohibition-era Detroit, kept asking questions. For years, the same thought went through his head: something doesn't add up.

"The stories they were telling and what they said in the history books and everything you saw about it was night and day," said

Oswalt and long-time friend and fellow Wayne resident Eric Longnecker continued their research-about nine years of it—and published it recently in Chi-Town Slaughter Uncensored, the real story of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre.

The story actually starts before the 1929 killings, with a description of the rise of organized crime and its most popular figures, including Al Capone.

"It's like organized crime 101," Longnecker said.

The massacre itself took place at about 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 14, 1929 in Chicago. The plan, which history says was hatched

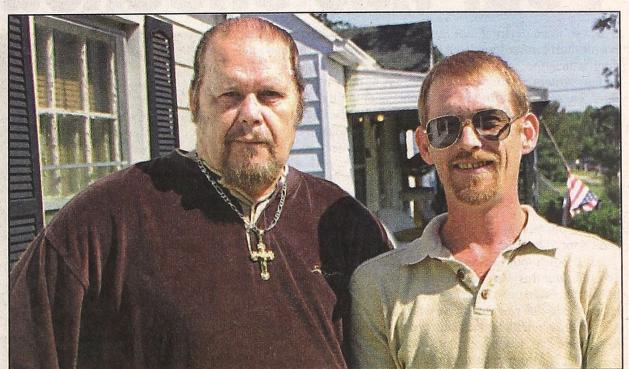
by Jack 'Machine Gun' McCurn to eliminate Bugs Moran, had a group of Capone's men-three posing as police officers entering a warehouse where a group of six members of Moran's gang were to receive a shipment of illegal booze.

They lined up the menalong with a mechanic who was also on the scene—at the back of the warehouse and then the other members of Capone's gang entered with submachine guns and executed them. The coroner's report said that some 200 rounds were expired during the incident, about 100 of which found their targets.

Moran was not there-some accounts said he learned of the plot and fled ahead of time, others said he was merely late. Oswalt and Longnecker have another theory: he was a co-conspirator.

"Moran was not the target in this at all," said Oswalt.

Oswalt's uncle was an auto mechanic at the time, but he drove flashy cars and lived above his means. It turned out, he was a bodyguard for the Purple Gang. Much of the information provided in the book came from those who were around at the time, and knew



Rusty Oswalt (left) and Eric Longnecker said inside information gave them an accurate depiction of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre, which they describe in their new book.

the details. The Purple Gang was also the chief supplier of alcohol to Capone—they smuggled it in from Canada over the Detroit River.

Oswalt said an investigation into the killings revealed a government cover up, beginning with the way the bodies were staged in crime scene photos.

"If you take seven people and shoot them 90 times, you're going to have so much blood all over the floor it's going to look like a bath in there," he said.

"This was no haphazard thing," he added. It was wellthought out and carried out with absolute precision."

The book also contains scores of historical photos, some of which haven't been seen by the general public. It's also, Oswalt said, an accurate depiction of one of the most notorious assassinations in U.S. history.

"It's a very good read," he said. "These are theories or anything; these are facts. We've proved everything we said. We stand behind everything we say."

The book is available on Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.Com. It will soon be available through the Borders web site, too.

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# Music in the Park series is under way

Andrea King Staff Writer

The Music in the Park concert series will present concerts at 3 p.m. every Sunday at Victory Park in downtown Belleville.

This year performers include: the Belleville Community Band, the Belleville Community Chorus, the SE Michigan French Horn Choir, Fiddlers ReStrung, the Lori Lefevre Troupe, Joyous Noise and Millie's Polka Band.

Claudia Roullier, chairperson of the music committee, said everybody who attends always enjoys the free entertain-

"People should come to the park and enjoy themselves. We'd love to have more people," she said.

The Belleville Community Band, started by the arts council and funded through the Moriarity fund, will began the series last Sunday with their first of three performances. They will continue to play throughout the summer with their last performance on Aug. 19. The band is made up of area people of all ages and is directed by Tim Miller.

The group will tcontinue with their performances on July 22 and, a finale concert and the Belleville Area Council for the Arts dessert reception on Aug. 19.

New this year, The Belleville Community Chorus—under the direction of Sue Hiser will perform this Sunday. They will showcase the Belleville Brass, an offshoot of The Wilson Family group.

"They're a unique and well-known family in the area," said Roullier.

Patriotic musical numbers will be played and Jack the Balloon Man will also be there, too, she said.

The SE Michigan French Horn Choir will follow on July 8, which will feature players directed by Carl Karoub.

"The French horn is such a unique instrument to listen to and this is a whole group of them telling stories with their music," Roullier said.

Fiddlers ReStrung will perform on July 15. The string of Saline players will return for an encore this year and to dance, as well.

The Lori Lefevre Troupe will follow on July 29 with a blend of standards, show tunes and dancing music.

Joyous Noise will perform on Aug. 5 at the First United Methodist Church.

"They'll be indoors this year because of past weather," said Roullier. "They're very entertaining and feature dulcimers, guitars, bass and fiddles. They also tell folk stories."

Millie's Polka Band, who also performed at the Belleville Harvest Fest, will take place on Aug. 12.

The Music in the Park concert series was started about 18 years ago by former city officials, residents and members of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts, according to Pete Lazaroff, president of the arts council. The Downtown Development Authority funds the annual event.

In case of rain, concerts will be at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall on Charles Street in Belleville. For more information about the concert series, contact the Belleville Area Council For the Arts at (734) 697-8123.

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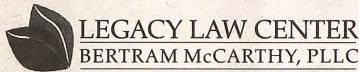


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# Armed robbers take man's military arms collection

Three men assaulted a 59-year-old Canton Township man at gunpoint Wednesday night at his home on Lone Wolf Lane and made off with the victim's prized collection of antique military daggers and guns.

The victim told police a man had telephoned him earlier in the day and said he wanted to sell the victim two Japanese swords, according to police reports.

Two men arrived at 8 p.m. with one sword and went with the victim into his basement, where the antique weapons were showcased on the walls.

One suspect went back to the car, saying he went to go get the second sword.

"A third guy appeared and knocked him (the victim) down and pointed a gun at him. They took what they wanted, ductaped him, and left him there."

The men took 30 daggers, 21 guns and

two swords from the man's collection. They also took a 300-year-old Japanese helmet pieced together from 72 plates.

Finally, they took cash from the victim and a board containing 21 watches.

The victim eventually freed himself and called 911 from a neighbor's home. The neighbor told police she noticed an older model white vehicle parked in front of the victim's home that evening before she left to shop. The car was possibly a four-door, with rear end damage and rusted rear panels.

The three suspects were white males, one in his early 40s and heavy-set. Another was 18-20 years old, 6 feet tall and "very skinny." A further description of the third suspect, was not provided.

Anyone with information about the case may call the detective bureau at (734) 394-5420.

## **Hearing delayed in attack case**

A district court judge adjourned a preliminary hearing last Friday for a man accused of stabbing and raping his ex-girlfriend at a Canton Township apartment complex.

Charles Blue Jr. was at the 35th District Court in Plymouth Friday morning but waived a requirement to have a preliminary examination within 14 days of his arraignment.

Judge Ron Lowe set a new date of July 13 for the examination.

Canton police say Blue, 38, invited the victim to his apartment June 11 under the

pretext that he was no longer using drugs. There, he attacked the woman with a knife and forced her to have sex with him, police said.

The victim escaped by convincing Blue she would return to him after seeing a doctor for her injuries, according to police.

Blue, who remains in Wayne County Jail on \$100,000 cash bond, is charged with assault with intent to murder, two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct and one count of felonious assault.

He faces up to life in prison if convict-



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## **SPORTS**

## Romulus hurdler heads to Central

Jeff Novak Staff Writer

Track runners usually worry about beating times, not running out of it.

But time almost ran out for recently graduated Romulus senior Brittnee Shreve. With college signings for the 2007-08 season coming to a close, the 17-year-old hurdler wrapped her arms around a partial scholarship when she signed her letter of intent last Wednesday to run at Central Michigan University.

As late in the year as it might be there's really not a better, or truer, "you can do it" story to ever come out of Romulus' illustrious track program.

Shreve's window of opportunity started to close after she was hampered by nagging injuries in her sophomore and junior years and she did not compete in the off seasons with her AAU track club team, the Michigan Accelerators.

That didn't stop her from leaping through before it slammed shut. She was determined to make something happen regardless of what it took. She put in extra time, workouts and effort this spring during the high school season. At the top of the season she declared to her coaches that she was going to make it to the state meet this year.

She was right. She not only went but she placed. Shreve finished eighth in the state in the 100-meter hurdles.

"I knew I had to stay focused and work hard," said the track star. "Even though everything wasn't perfect for me, I couldn't let the little things bring me down. You have to perform as hard as you can so that the (college) coaches that are there will recognize you."

James Hall, one of Brittnee's Michigan Accelerator coaches, said he wasn't surprised that she landed the scholarship. He said she just needed to believe that she has the talent and would make it happen.

"She really battened down the hatches," he said. "She had a personal best in both (100 and 400) hurdles. She set her mind to it and she just kept getting better and better and better we think that this is one of the great stories and proves you can do anything that you set your mind to," he added. "She is a really the epitome of putting your mind to it and in the face of adversity."



Brittnee Shreve, center, signs her letter of intent to run track at Central Michigan University last Wednesday at her home in Romulus. With her are, from left, Accelerator Coach James Hall, brother Stacey Shreve, Jr., father Stacey Shreve, Sr., sister Brianna Shreve, and mother Brenda Shreve.

"She was kind of a diamond in the rough and a sleeper as far as college recruiting," added Romulus Track Coach Wade Cook. "She put together some pretty good races this year and caught the attention of some people. She's a wonderful girl. I'm glad I had the opportunity to coach her. She's a great athlete and will be a nice addition to Central."

The results caught the attention of the Central coaches, causing for a whirlwind 30 days that concluded her senior year. Last month entailed going to regionals, getting ready for the state meet, preparing for graduation, taking a trip to Central and going to the prom.

"It was a busy 30 days," said her father, Stacey Shreve,

Sr. "We were all on edge at times but it was exciting, too, and worth it."

Shreve plans on studying pre med while at Central.

"I've always been interested in Central Michigan mainly because it wasn't that far and they had a very good pre med program and the track program is pretty good," she said. "Everybody feels really close as a team. They seem like they are always motivating each other even when they're weren't at a meet."

Shreve's will to succeed surfaced at an early age. While in elementary school she would watch her cousin, Dana

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Dominic Benavides makes a throw during district play. He will battle for a starting position at Madonna University I the fall. Photo by Diana Birdsall

# Northville infielder commits to Madonna

Jeff Novak Staff Writer

After a stellar season on the Northville High School varsity baseball team, things are only looking brighter for infielder Dominic Benavides.

Last week he committed to play ball at Madonna University.

The third-year varsity starter was a solid infielder, playing at a several different positions through the years, and was voted Best Defensive Player by his teammates.

His offense was as good—or better—than his defense. In his senior year he hit .360 to help lead the Mustang squad to a 25-5 overall record.

Defense was a huge part of the Mustangs' success this year and Benavides was an iatrical part of it.

"He was a huge impact for us," said Northville Coach John Kostrzewa. "We concentrate heavily on defense and, with a shortstop like Dominic, it pays huge dividends."

Benavides came up big against Allen Park in the regular season, making five

consecutive outs to get Northville out of trouble, according to Kostrzewa.

"I think he will fit in good at Madonna," Kostrzewa said. "If he continues to progress like he has the last two years he will have a very good collegiate career."

Benavides was also named to the alldivision team twice in his career and to the all-conference and all-district teams this season.

"Dominic is coming to MU after a successful season at Northville," said Madonna Coach Greg Haeger. "He is a very instinctive infielder with soft hands and a great feel for the game. He will compete for one of the vacant spots on the left side of the infield next season."

Benavides will follow in his mother Julie's footsteps. She too was a Crusader graduate. Benavides plans to study in the biology and pharmacy programs during his time at Madonna.

Benevides is the second player from this year's Northville squad to sign his letter of intent. Pitcher Bryce Jenney committed to Western Kentucky University earlier in the year.

## SPORTS -

# A whale of a draft

Renee WHite Staff Writer

Three members of the Ontario Hockey League (OHL) champion Plymouth Whalers were drafted last weekend at the NHL entry draft in Columbus, Ohio.

The Nashville Predators took Goaltender Jeremy Smith in the second round. The top-ranked goalie in North America, Smith was the second goalie drafted, and 54th player overall.

The NHL's Central Scouting Bureau described Smith as: "composed and strong in his crease" and "very well positioned on first and second shots."

The Carolina Hurricanes took two Whalers in the fifth and sixth rounds. Forward Chris Terry and defenseman Brett Bellemore were taken 132nd and 162nd overall, respectively.

Terry described being drafted



Whalers' center Chris Terry sits with a young student at a 2006 Hockey School. Photo by Walt Dmoch

as "unbelievable."

"It's the best thing I've experienced in my life so far," he said.

Next up for the Hurricanes prospects is an Aug. 14 training camp in Carolina. The training session will give the Hurricanes a chance to look at their skill level and determine how long they will spend in juniors before taking the next step.

Terry—and others—were surprised that Bellemore was drafted. He wasn't listed on the Central Scouting Bureau's reports that were finalized at the end of last season. However, it shouldn't be surprising that he still attracted attention—he led the OHL in plus-minus last season with plus 48.

"It's pretty interesting because he came out of nowhere," Terry said. "It's great for him. It will be fun to have someone I know at camp with me."

Terry said he knew that Hurricanes were interested in him, particularly since the 'Canes and the Whalers share an owner — Compuware CEO Pete

Compuware CEO Pete Karmanos.

Another notable draftee from the Compuware organization is Trevor Nill, who was taken 190th overall by the St. Louis Blues. Nill plays for the Compuware midget team.



#### **Whaler Hockey Schools**

Hockey players looking to get a couple of strides ahead of the competition for the 2007-08 season can learn while having fun this summer with the Plymouth Whalers, champions of the Ontario Hockey League.

The Whalers will teach several different one-week schools starting July 30. Led by Hockey School Director George Daniel and a number of Whaler players, the camps promise to be fun and informative.

Beginner/Mini-Mite (Ages 5-8) This five-day school is for players that have little or no organized hockey experience; previous skating lessons required. Skills include: Forward and backward skating, stopping, basic stick handling, proper shooting and passing techniques and scrimmage. Full equipment is required. Participants will be enrolled in the Whalers Kids Club for the 2007-08 season. Dates: July 30 - August 3. Times: 9 - 10:50 am. Cost: \$250.

Power Skating (Ages 10-12) This five-day school is for beginner and intermediate players, designed to reinforce proper skating techniques. Skills include: Starts, stops, edges, crossovers, pivots, agility and speed training Dates: July 30 - August 3. Times: 11 am - 12:50 pm. Cost: \$250.

Squirt Elite (Ages 9-10) This five-day school is geared for the accelerated player looking

for a combination of on-ice as well as off-ice drills and training. Professional instructors will conduct a high intensity on-ice workout followed by dry-land conditioning with Dennis MacDonald, Whalers' Athletic Therapist. Dates: July 30 - August 3. Times: 1-2:50 pm. Cost: \$250.

All Day School (Group A Ages 7-9) (Group B Ages 10-12) This five-day school will balance on-ice instruction with off-ice development. The focus will be power skating, stick handling, shooting, passing and game situations. Off-ice instruction will work on balance and coordination. The school will enhance conditioning and utilize athletic games to promote teamwork. Dates: August 6 – 10. Times: 9 am - 3:50 pm. Cost: \$399.

Mite Preseason Tune-up (Ages 7-8) This five-day school focuses on power skating, agility, balance, stops and starts and game situations. All instruction is on-ice. This class will also help to improve fundamental stick handling and puck skills. Dates: August 13 – 17. Times: 9 - 10:50 am or 2 - 3:50 pm. Cost: \$250.

Squirt Preseason Tune-up (Ages 9-10)
This five-day school focuses on power

skating, agility, balance, stops and starts, stick handling, and game situations. All instruction is on-ice. This session will serve as a tune-up for all players getting ready for fall

See Hockey, page 12





#### Track

FROM PAGE 10

Noble, run hurdles at the middle school where she held the record.

"I told my self that my name could be up there, too," she said.

She ended up beating Noble's time and took over as the queen of middle school hurdles as a seventh grader. The rest, as it is said, is history.

"I'm very proud of her and with all that she's accomplished," said her mother, Brenda Shreve. "I'm excited for her to go off to school. When she picked Central we looked at the school and they had excellent academic programs and excellent athletic facilities. So I'm very excited for her because I feel more will come to her being able to tap into everything that they have for her."

Central offers other perks, too, according to her father.

"I'm glad that she will be close enough so that we will still be able to watch her run on occa-

I'm real excited for her to take it to the next level. I'm looking for her to do some good things and I think the best is still yet to come.

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**Brenda Shreve** 

sion, which was real important to us," he said. "I'm real excited for her to take it to the next level. I'm looking for her to do some good things and I think the best is still yet to come."

Shreve now has all of the time in the world to make sure of that.

Brittnee Shreve would like to thank god for strength and confidence; her parents for being her number-one fans and supporters; her motivator, Avery Stephenson; her role models Landria Buckley and Brittnay Howard and her coaches Cook, Hall and Fran McCauley.

## **Hockey**

FROM PAGE 11

try-outs and draft skates. Dates: August 13 - 17. Times: 12 - 1:50 pm. Cost: \$250.

High School (Ages 14-18) A challenging camp designed to enhance the players' overall skill set. Players will be able to utilize the Whalers' training facility

including the weight room and locker room. Instructors include the Whalers' coaching staff as well as high school coaches. Dennis MacDonald, Whalers' Athletic Therapist, will design an off-ice conditioning program and conduct physical testing of all participants. The first 40 applicants will be accepted for this school. Dates: August 20 - 24. Times: 11 am - 2:20 pm. Cost:

## MISL adds three teams to lineup

The competition just got a little bit tougher—or at least a little more crowded-for the Major Indoor Soccer League's Detroit Ignition.

The league just added three more teams that will battle for the championship this year.

Detroit, which made it to the championship finale in its inaugural season last year, will have to fend off the New Jersey Ironmen, the Orlando Sharks and the MISL Monterrey clubs to make it back to the big game for the 2007-08 season.

The three new teams will have the opportunity to nab some of the Ignition's all-star players in the 2007 MISL Expansion Draft scheduled for 4 p.m. on Monday, July 9.

Veteran teams, including Detroit, can protect eight players with the maximum of one goalie but the rest are fair game. At most, five players may be selected from existing teams' rosters that include the Baltimore Blast, California Cougars, Chicago Storm, Milwaukee Wave and Philadelphia KiXX—last year's MISL Champions.



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Chris Peterson has always been affiliated with Century 21 in her 20+year career. She was born and raised in the community, has been married for 27 years, and raised 3 beautiful children. Chris is a Graduate of the Real Estate Institute (GRI) and is the Co-Broker/Owner for four years at the very successful Century 21 Dynamic. "I stay active in the day to day business of past clients and referrals to keep in touch with the market". Chris enjoys training and teaching agents to blossom and grow into their full potential.





Debbie deGuise



Debbie deGuise has been in Real Estate for nearly 20 years. She was born, raised in the community, and still resides in the area. Debbie has been married for 21 years and has four lovely children. In fact, her oldest son just joined the Navy. Debbie is also the Co-Broker/Owner for four years and has spent her successful Real Estate career for the majority with Century 21 Dynamic. Debbie is a fantastic manager, leader, and example for the company.

Carol Baker is happily married with 3 grown children and two grandchildren. She has been a Realtor for over 25 years, with most of her career at Century 21. She is a full time agent and has an "all around" expertise with her clients. Carol has experienced this type of marketing in the past, survived it, and sees it turning around. "To be successful, you have to be flexible to the market." Carol enjoys building memories and friendships with past clients and their families. She is often involved in community charity events.



Noel Derr is a self-described: "The epitome of a national statistic." She lives, works, volunteers, and raises her family within a few miles of where she began. Noel has been married for almost 16 years and has four great kids. She has been a Realtor at Century 21 Dynamic for all nine years of her career, and likes all aspects of Real Estate, but especially loves and specializes in first time homebuyers, "They are the most grateful people". I think your towns, schools, and communities successes are your choice, you have to make it what you want it to be." Noel is involved with the Wayne Chamber, Wayne BPW, and teaches Chess to K-5 at Schweitzer Elementary for the past six years.



Marietta Jones has been married for 10 years and is raising two adorable boys. She has been a realtor for 10+ years and also holds an Architectural Degree from Lawrence Tech University. Using her degree in Real Estate has played an important role in her career as she uses her knowledge to teach her customers about their purchase or sale from the ground up. Marietta is always up to the challenge of 1st time homebuyers and her warm personality has built a large-referral business.



Kim McGue is also a lifetime resident of the Wayne-Westland area. Kim is happily married with a beautiful family. She has been doing Real Estate for over 7 years and has been involved in several fundraisers and community activities. With Kims' knowledge of the area and market she has helped many families find their first home, second home and even their third home!! She also specializes in investors finding bank owned and foreclosure properties. She enjoys what she does and always has a smile on her face.

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## **Antique cannonball is unwelcome at Plymouth City Hall**

was doing the right thing," said the City of Plymouth Public Safety Director Wayne Carroll after a series of events shut down city hall and several neighboring streets last week.

Last Wednesday, Patricia

it while renovating a house at 187 Adams St. Police immediately cleared the area as a precaution. Streets were closed for around two hours.

Plymouth is one of the oldest communities in Michigan and Malcomb brought a cannonball it's typical for homeowners to

"She probably thought she to city hall after she discovered discover all types of relics, officials said. However, some relics, like cannonballs, are best left to be handled by profession-

> "These type of things are usually very old and carry nitroglycerine or gunpowder in them," said Carroll. "(The chemicals)

get grumpy when you move them," he added.

Carroll said explosive experts from the Michigan State Bomb Squad were called in to examine the device. The cannonball was x-rayed and subsequently removed from the scene.

Despite signs posted on the

doors warning citizens to keep explosives away from city hall, officials are occasionally surprised with ammunition.

"Two other times people brought in grenades. This is the third time this type of thing has happened in five years," Carroll

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 19, 2007**

Supervisor King called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor King, Clerk Payne, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Clair, Trustee Hart, Trustee Jahr and Trustee Rochowiak. Absent and excused: None. Others in attendance: Planning and Economic Development Director Kelley, Public Safety Director Champagne, Parks and Recreation Director Ross, Senior Director Combs, Executive Assistant Ireland, Secretary Cline and an audience of twenty-four (24).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Hart moved, Budd seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

MINUTES: Jahr moved, Clair seconded to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of May 31, 2007 as presented. Carried.

Rochowiak moved, Hart seconded to approve the Work Study Session Minutes of June 4, 2007 as presented. Carried.

Budd moved, Payne seconded to approve the Closed Session Minutes of June 4, 2007 as presented. Carried.

Clair moved, Jahr seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2007 as presented. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Third Edition of the book Water Under the Bridge written by Cathy Horste, Van Buren Township Historian and Diane Wilson, Van Buren Township Museum Director are available by pre-ordering and reserving a copy. Forms are available in the Clerk's Office and the Belleville Area Museum.

A communication from the Downriver Community Conference announcing a partnership with the Senior Alliance for a transportation program to provide non-emergency medical transportation for seniors aged sixty and older. Eligibility is prioritized based on need and for those seniors residing in the thirty-four communities in the Senior Alliance service area. This service is for a limited time and appointments are required for more information contact the Downriver Community Conference at 734.362.7029.

On July 7th and July 8th the Wayne County Air Show will be held. Residents residing close to Willow Run Airport may pick up yellow stickers in the Public Safety Department to help you maneuver through their neighborhoods during the Air Show.

Wayne County Department of Environment is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, July 14th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Melvindale Ice Arena located at 4300 South Dearborn Street. For more information contact the Wayne County Department of Environment at 734.326.3936.

On Saturday, August 18th Wayne County Department of Environment and Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit is sponsoring a Computer/Computer Peripheral Waste Collection at Van Buren Township Hall from 8:00 a.m. to noon. For more information contact the Wayne County Department of Environment at 734.326.3936.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Budd moved, Clair seconded to approve the Personal Services Agreement between Van Buren Township and Lynette Jordan to fill the position of Senior Coordinator and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the agree-

Payne moved, Jahr seconded to adopt Resolution 2007-28 to establish a special assessment district for the purpose of purchasing, installing and maintaining streetlights in the Kirkridge Park Cooperative. Carried.

Budd moved, Rochowiak seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 06-19-07 to amend the Township Zoning Ordinance, 06-02-92, as amended, to rezone a parcel of land known as V125-83-039-99-0009-014 from R-1B (Medium Density Residential) to C-1 (General Business). Carried.

\*(A copy of Ordinance 06-19-07 follows the minutes. Copies may also be obtained in the Clerk's Office, Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road during normal business hours.)

Payne moved, Hart seconded to approve permit application UT #6039985 M68185 07-449 by AT&T to install telecommunications infrastructure in the northerly portion of the Ecorse Road public right of way from Morton-Taylor Road east to the westerly edge of the ITC electric transmission corridor. Carried.

Clair moved, Hart seconded to approve permit application UT #5843686 M63107 07-555 by AT&T to install telecommunications infrastructure in the westerly portion of the Haggerty Road public right of way from Woodbury Condominiums south to northerly portion of the Savage Road public right of way and then west for a distance of approximately 1000 feet. Carried.

Jahr moved, Hart seconded to adopt Resolution 2007-29 establishing an Election

Receiving Board for Van Buren Charter Township. Carried.

VOUCHER LIST: Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the June 19, 2007 voucher list as presented. Carried.

REPORTS: Supervisor King ordered the May 2007 Public Safety and May 2007 Budgetary Reports received and filed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: On Wednesday, July 4th the Administrative Offices at Township Hall will be closed in observance of the Independence Holiday.

Clerk Payne announced Monday, July 9th is the last day to register to vote for the Tuesday, August 7, 2007 Public Safety Election. Absentee ballot applications are available in the Clerk's Office. Also, if you are interested in being a Precinct Election Inspector or need additional voter information contact the Clerk's Office at 734.699.8909.

The Recreation Department announced the following events: The 2007 fireworks display will be held on Saturday, June 23rd with a rain date of Sunday, June 24th at the Beck Road baseball fields at dusk. On Friday, June 29th "Taking it to the Streets" a free recreational event from noon - 4:00 p.m. at Tyler Elementary School. Also, on Saturday, June 30th a "Catch and Release Youth Fishing Derby" at French Landing Park. For additional information contact the Recreation Department at 734.699.8921.

Michigan A.F.S.C.M.E. (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees) Council 25 representative, Angela Tabor stated negotiations between the union and township need to continue prior to the next meditation meeting to be held in September and both sides need to compromise in order to settle the contract. Supervisor King stated the negotiations that have taken place have been in the spirit of good faith and Ms. Tabor agreed.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): A resident stated he would like to see the A.F.S.C.M.E. contract settled. The Ecorse Road Saratoga Project is currently being farmed and the resident inquired how the farmers know where wetlands are on the property. Also, on the airport property he would like a map of the wetlands. Further, he stated he saw a truck on Van Born Road that he suspected was dumping oil along the road. Director Kelley will check on these matters.

A resident stated he too would like to see the A.F.S.C.M.E. contract settled. Also, stated he had received an email from Huron River Watershed Council regarding a meeting on the Griggs drain more commonly know as Riggs creek water course on Monday, June 25th at 7:00 p.m. at South Middle School Library for the purpose of discussing protection of the water course and the forming of a protection group. Supervisor King stated she had not received the notice and will make sure the information is posted to the website and cable. Director Kelley stated the intern who is handling this project is a joint intern with Huron River Watershed Council and Van Buren Township. Trustee Clair stated she has been in communication with the intern and stated the Huron Valley Conservation Association is also getting involved with project.

A resident commented on the beautiful day lilies planted in the Belleville Road Streetscape. He gave an account of the progression on the garage built next to his house on Harmony Lane and the litigation and proceedings which have since taken place. Clerk Payne reminded the resident under the Township Rules of Conduct three minutes are allowed and he has been speaking for five minutes and requested he wrap this up in three minutes. He further gave an account of a Freedom of Information Open Meeting Act violation by the township during a Board of Trustee Meeting for which he accepted settlement.

A resident inquired about the campaign headquarters at the old Power House Gym and who is paying the rent. Director Champagne stated the old Power House Gym on Belleville Road is the location of campaign headquarters and the landlord is partially donating the rent and the Keep Public Safety Committee a private group funded by donations will be paying the remaining expense. A kick off meeting will take place next week regarding the public safety millage. Trustee Clair clarified the Keep Public Safety Committee is a ballot question committee which is comprised of volunteers from the community.

Two residents voiced objections to Clerk Payne invoking the three minute rule [resolution 2007-14 Rules of Conduct Policy] and generally disagreed with the policy and its application.

CLOSED SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Hart moved, Rochowiak seconded to adjourn at 8:53 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joannie D. Payne, CMC Township Clerk

Cindy C. King Township Supervisor

Publish: June 28, 2007

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1. Obituaries

BERCZEL, Joe S. June 22,

2007 age 82 of Westland.

Beloved husband of

Josephine. Dear father of

David (Seung-Eui), Janice

Zikmund and Ann

Marie (John) Gwizdak.

**Brother of Margaret** 

Romberger, the late Steve

and the late John.

Grandfather of Jamie and

Liam Berczel, Eric and

Michael Zikmund and

Jonathan Gwizdak. Great

Grandfather of Brianne

and Ava Zikmund. Family

will receive friends

Saturday, June 30, 2007 at

St. Mary Church, 34530

Michigan Ave., Wayne,

from 9 am until 10 am

Mass of the Resurrection.

Memorials to St. Jude

Children's Hospital would

be appreciated. Please

visit and post a tribute at

www.uhtfh.com

BUGASKI, Julia K. June

16, 2007 age 85 of

Westland. Beloved wife of

the late Joseph. Dear

mother of Judy Hall,

Dolores (Dennis) Amolsch

& Diana (Larry) Grober.

Sister of Helen Parker &

Lawrence (Sally) Kapish.

Loving Grandmother of

Debbie, Jenny, Jerri,

Deena, Dayna & Megan.

Loving Great Grandmother

of Danielle, Jessica,

Deanna, James, Kieana,

Kalia & Braedon. Services

were held at the Uht

Funeral Home, Westland,

with Fr. Jack Baker offici-

ating. Burial was in St.

Hedwig Cemetery,

Dearborn Heights. Please

visit and sign a tribute at

www.uhtfh.com.

HENDRICKSON, Richard

E. June 20, 2007 age 82 of

Wayne. Beloved husband

of the late Hazel. Dear

father of Richard (Faye),

Ronald (Lynn), Linda

(Glen) Drummonds, Cheryl

(John) Prpich, Delores

(Donald) McQueen, Debra

Richards, Craig (Karen),

Bruce (Pamela) and the

late Janet Chambers.

Grandfather of 22, Great

grandfather of 35, Great

great grandfather of 1.

Also survived by son-in-

law, Alan Chambers.

Family received friends at

the Uht Funeral Home,

Westland, with Rev. Roy

Forsyth officiating at the

service. Cremation rites

were accorded. Memorials

would be appreciated to

the American Heart

Association. Please visit

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HORNE, Ethel Mae, age

87, died June 8, 2007.

She was born January 28

1920. Ethel Mae leaves to

cherish her memory seven

loving children, Albert

(Mary), James (Sandra),

Angelena "Ann", Mary,

Elvegene "Jean" (Rance

Jr.), Estelle and Larry

(Bridgett); three sisters,

Mae Ola Brooks and

Carrie Robinson of

Cleveland, OH, and

Pummie Lee Roundtree of

Toomasuba, MS; brother

Odell Barney (Mary) of

Toomasuba, MS; grand-

children, DeChinna, Tina,

Freddrick "Juan", Alicia,

Stephen, James, Gamal,

Torlondo, Erika, Tariq,

Quante', Natasha,

Courtney, Rance, Rance

III, Christopher, Ryan, Larry

Jr., Joshua and Jeremy:

eighteen great grandchil-

dren, and one who pre-

ceded her in death, three

sisters-in law, one brother-

in-law, and a host of

nieces, nephews, relatives

and friends. Funeral ser-

vices were held at, and

final arrangements were

provided by Penn Funeral

Home. Interment was at

United Memorial Gardens,

Plymouth, MI.

JOHNSON, Yvonne

Walker, age 53, died June

2, 2007. She was born

June 1, 1954. Yvonne's

life and her love continue

to radiate through her four

sons, L.C. Clark, Jr.

(Arlonda), Zantie Johnson

(Nicole Brown),

Christopher Johnson and

Dequanda Johnson

(La'Quita Hill) of Inkster,

MI; grandchildren,

Jasmine, J.C., III, William,

Zeandra, Zaveon, Zinyla,

Pallas, with another grand-

child on the way; her sis-

ter, Shirley Conley

(Kenneth): half sister.

Francine Ellison; brothers,

Leroy and Tommy

Johnson; nieces, Renee,

Helen, Chantay, Milissa,

Shaven, Monica, Sharee,

Felicia and Shawna;

nephews, Tommy, Jr.,

Quincy, Terral, Dequines

"Snook", Lamar, Leroy,

Tony and Jerome; great

nephews, Timothy, Jr. and

Deandre; great niece,

Camiya; great-great niece,

Takeela and a host of other

nieces, nephews and

cousins. Yvonne was pre-

ceded in death by her sis-

ter-in-law, Judy Johnson.

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- 57. Antiques 58. Garage and Yard Sales
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Funeral services were held

at Mt. Olive Baptist Church

in Romulus, MI with Rev.

James Thompson officiat-

ing. Interment was at

United Memorial Gardens,

Plymouth, MI. Final

arrangements were

entrusted to Penn Funeral

Home.

JOHNSTON, George

"Truck", age 59, died June

4, 2007. He was born

April 4, 1948. He is sur-

vived by a loving wife, 9

children (including a foster

son), 14 grandchildren, 4

brothers, 1 sister, plus a

host of nieces, nephews

and too many friends to

name. Services were held

at Penn Funeral Home with

Reverend Willis officiating.

Interment was at Mount

Hope Memorial Garden,

Livonia, MI. Final arrange-

ments were entrusted to

Penn Funeral Home.

WASHINGTON, Donna

Jean, age 64, died June 4,

2007. She was born June

12, 1942. She was sur-

rounded by her family in

prayer and thankfulness

when she took the Lord's

hand for eternity. She bids

farewell for now to those

who will cherish her in

their hearts and souls, her

children. Terrance

Washington, Courtney

(Nicole) Washington and

Jeannine (Rico)

Washington; grandchil-

dren, Terrance II, Asya,

Jhermanei, Aleena,

Amyree and Jadan; one

beloved aunt, Ruby Reed:

her sister, Carolyn P.

Crudup; her niece, Denise

(leon) Wilson; one great

niece and Bianca; along

with a host of cousins.

family, extended family and

friends. Services were

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Home with Evangelist

Savannah Johnson officiat-

ing. Interment was at

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WILLIAMS, John L., age

43, died June 6, 2007. He

was born May 3, 1964.

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remembering the "Big

Brother" love in which he

shared so generously

among his brothers,

Damon Sims, John

Jackson, Jermaine

Jackson and Jeroid

Jackson and his sister,

Yolanda Hines. By

remembering his grand-

mother, Orange Williams

John would always say,

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from my Granny." By

remembering the personal

advice and insight given to

his in-laws, Davida Sims,

Kenyatta Jackson, Diane

Jackson and Michael

Hines. Funeral services

were held at, and final

arrangements were

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- 100. Will Share 101. Wanted to Rent
  - 102. Storage

  - 103. Business Property for Sale 104. Farms & Acreage for Sale
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  - 109 Income Property

Wayne-Westland

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Position as follows:

Teaching Assistant Health

Occupations (Days) &

Auto Tech (Evenings)

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THS of Wayne

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110. Lots for Sale

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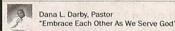
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**Morning Worship** 

113. Real Estate Wanted 114. Auto Accessories

111. Out of State Property

112. Commercial Lease

- 115. Autos for Sale
- 116. Antique & Classic Cars
- 117. Trucks & Vans for Sale
- 118. Freebies
- 120. Motorcycles 121. Autos Wanted

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### Join Us For Worship



### 58. Garage and Yard Sales

Garage Sale 33112 Franklin, Wayne June 28 & 29 9-2 June 30 9-12 Furniture, tools, household items, etc.

Multi-Family Moving Sale 36886 Porter, Romulus June 29-? 9:00am-7:00pm Everything must go! No reasonable offer refused!

Wolverine Riders Charity Garage Sale 19525 Maxwell St. Northville June 30 & July 1 9am - 5pm

#### 59. Auctions

Notice is hereby given that on 7/8/07 at 11:0am, the following will be sold by competitive bidding at:

Stor-N-Lock 7840 N. Wayne Rd. Westland, MI

Space #M-1A-Keisha Owens: Misc. goods; Space #D-25-Tracey Bargo: Household items. misc. goods; Space #J-24-Priscilla Crawford: Household items, misc. goods; Space #P-4-Dennis Stebens: Household items. misc. goods; Space #F-9-Constance Noack: Household items, misc. D. Wright: Recreational

goods; Space #P-31-Brett items, misc. goods; Space #N-1C-Johnie Ingram: Household items, misc. goods; Space #L-11-Victoria Thompson: Household items, recreational items, misc. goods; Space #L-3-Peter D. Sudnick: Household items, misc. goods

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Space #329-Joe Williams-Household items, misc. goods; Space #906A-Diana Gerwolls-Household items, misc. goods; Space #435-Paul Barone: Household items, misc. goods; Space #1008B-Wanna Johnson-Misc. goods 4

> Notice of Public Sale. On July 19, 2007 at 12:30PM

U-Store-It 401, 28266 Ecorse Road, Romulus, MI 48174 with reserve, will sell by the unit to the highest bidder, by CASH, all rights, title and interest to the following property:

D21-Harold Rice: Appliances, furniture, misc.

> **PUBLIC AUCTION** Westland Mini Storage 1600 Newburgh Rd. Westland, MI 48186 734-729-1710

> > July 28, 2007 11:00 AM

Unit #200-Philip Johnson: Old furniture, small tools, home items, bike

Unit #625-Roy Ball: Self installing wood flooring

Unit #716-William Reaume: Furniture, household items, micro, filing cabinet, tools

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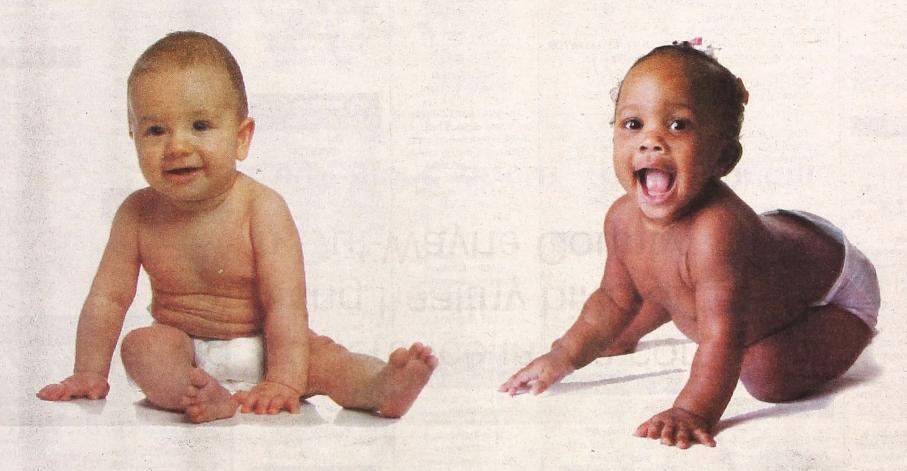
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